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## KILLING AT MURRAY

H. G. Keys Shot By Sheriff Holland There Last Night.

Ill Feeling and a Quarrel Resulted in the Tragedy—Killing in Self-defense.

BOTH POPULAR MEN

A sensational killing occurred on the streets of Murray, Calloway county, 45 miles from the city on the N., C. and St. L. railroad, about 9 o'clock last night, in which Hardy G. Keys, a prominent tobacco dealer of that place, was shot and killed almost instantly by Sheriff L. W. Holland, of Murray.

Complete details of the shooting were not received in the city today, as nearly everybody who knew anything about the tragedy was disposed to have as little to say as possible about it.

According to reliable reports, however, politics had brought about ill feeling between the two men, and meeting last night on what is known there as "legal row," a quarrel resulted from a political disagreement or a discussion about a settlement of some kind.

It is stated that Keys drew his knife and was making for the sheriff, when the latter drew his pistol and fired twice, only one shot taking effect, that wounding Keys in the stomach and producing almost instant death.

The knife was picked up near the spot where the victim fell.

There are few eye witnesses to the tragedy, and Sheriff Holland, it seems to be the general opinion, shot in self defense and was not arrested.

The dead man was a nephew of Hon. Ben C. Keys, a prominent Populist politician who has several times run for congress. He was about 40 years old and a brother to John Keys, county clerk and editor of the Murray Ledger. He leaves a wife and two children.

Sheriff Holland is well known in this section. He is alleged to have killed several men in the discharge of his duty, one being a short time ago when he killed a negro who resisted him on the streets of Murray. He was formerly marshal at Murray, and then killed a man, and previously to that time was a guard at the Eddyville penitentiary.

He always shot in self defense, according to the coroner's jury, and is a very popular man, while the dead man also has many friends.

One man at Murray stated over the telephone this afternoon that there were not half a dozen words spoken, and that Keys ran onto the sheriff with a knife and was shot, and that is all there was to it.

Mattie & Effinger sent a man down this afternoon to embalm the remains, and the funeral will probably be held Monday.

Adelina Patti has agreed to give 60 concerts in America, beginning November 4 in New York, and is to receive for it from Robert Grau \$300,000.

The miners and operators at Indianapolis are still as far apart as before.

## THE MARKETS.

FURNISHED BY ARNE & GILBERT OF THE PADUCAH COMMISSION CO.

WHEAT—	OPEN	HIGH	CLOSE
January.....	79 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
May.....	74 1/2	76 1/2	75 1/2
CORN—			
January.....	44 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
May.....	43 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2
COY.—			
January.....	37 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
May.....	32 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
POKE—			
January.....	16 7/8	16 9/8	16 9/8
May.....	16 3/8	16 5/8	16 5/8
LEAF—			
January.....	8 3/8	8 5/8	8 5/8
May.....	8 1/8	8 3/8	8 3/8
RIBS—			
January.....	9 1/8	9 3/8	9 3/8
May.....	9 1/8	9 3/8	9 3/8
STOCKS			
L. & N.....	126 1/2	127 1/2	127 1/2
E. C.....	146 1/2	147 1/2	147 1/2
U. S. S. P.....	8 1/2	8 3/4	8 3/4
U. S. S. C.....	39 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2
Mc. E.....	112 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2

## WOMAN PLAYS HOBO

She Used to Live in Kentucky and as a Man Tramped Six Months.

With Her Husband She Was Arrested in Twenty-Six Different Cities En Route East.

HAS ENOUGH EXPERIENCE

Mrs. Mattie Lee Smith, a 19 year old girl of Clay county, Kentucky, has attracted a great deal of attention in St. Louis by being found in masculine attire. She and her husband, J. M. Smith, have been "hobos" for six months, traveling all the way from Fresno, Cal.

Less than a week ago they were arrested at Stanton, Mo., suspected of being implicated in the Union bank robbery. Their arrest followed a too lengthy stay in the town, and as they were tramping along a road en route for a more liberal community they were startled to find themselves looking down the shining barrels of a couple of Winchester.

During the preceding week, while they were temporarily quartered in Kansas City, Mrs. Smith was arrested six times in one day because she refused to comply with the orders of Chief of Police Hayes to doff her masculine clothes and wear dresses.

Mrs. Smith wore a pair of checked trousers, much too large and plentifully covered with patches. A loose-fitting coat and vest, a pair of rough shoes and a gray woolen shirt completed her costume. Her hair, which was close-cropped at the commencement of their journey, is now three or four inches in length. A cap, with ear flaps, serves effectually in disguising her sex.

In relating her experiences Mrs. Smith said she met her husband in Fresno, Cal., less than a week after he was mustered out of the United States navy. She said:

"We left Fresno during the rainy season and the first night out, after a ride of about forty miles in a 'John O'Brien Pullman,' we were 'ditched.' We found shelter in a large field under a dripping shed and managed to get a little sleep in the hay stack. The next morning I changed my clothing and packed the dress I had worn in the telescope. My initial experience in 'hopping' freights was followed by many others. Once I rode on the top of an express train, and following that I experienced the sensation of riding on bumpers, rods and the 'blind baggage.'"

"Once we were driven from a freight car in which we were concealed, and after passing a terrible night found ourselves in the very midst of the Arizona desert. The only human beings we could find were Indians, and we ate several meals with them."

"Everyone along the way mistook me for a boy, and I was forced to associate with every 'hobo' that happened to select the same train we did. We were in two or three fights, but I always managed to escape injury."

"We were arrested in twenty-six different towns along our route, but were never held after the authorities heard my story."

"That experience at Stanton, Mo., completely unnerved me. We had heard of armed posses out on man hunts, and when we were actually confronted with leveled rifles we both realized that to move meant our death."

Her husband lives in Chicago, and they are going there to live.

## MARRY TOMORROW.

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE TO WED IN CHRISTIAN.

Miss Eva Nichols of Crofton Ky., a cousin of Mr. D. A. Meacham of The Sun, and Dr. Eugene Croft of Crofton will be married tomorrow at 10 a. m. at the residence of the bride's parents near Crofton.

Dr. Croft is one of the best known young men in his county and enjoys a big practice as a physician. Miss Nichols is a very popular young lady and has many friends in Paducah where she has visited.

## ANOTHER BIG VOTE TODAY

Many Ballots Cast In The Sun's Great Contest Again Today

STILL NO CHANGE IN STANDING

The votes came in lively again today in The Sun's contest to decide who is the most popular union or lodge officer, and who the most popular lady in Paducah and the contest is growing more exciting.

Monday is the end of the fifth week of the contest and the leaders at that time will receive a cash prize of one dollar each.

The votes are counted at noon and votes brought in up to that hour will be counted.

The vote is as follows:

Ed Pearson	8283.
Charles Bandy	5868.
Charles Holliday	5417.
B. H. Pixler	3209.
T. W. Baird	1064.
Henry Welmer	856.
J. J. Freundlich	704.
W. T. Kirkpatrick	553.

Pete Smith	81.
George Hannan	69.
Young Taylor	60.

## LADIES' CONTEST.

Mrs. Dr. Duiley	7661.
Miss Lillie Norvell	7216.
Mrs. Almada Arnold	8.

## THE PRIZES.

First prize—\$100 in gold.
Second prize—\$50 in gold.
Third prize—\$20.
Fourth prize—\$7.50.
Fifth prize—\$3.50.
Next four—\$1 each.

In the most popular lady contest the prizes are:

First prize—Transportation to Colorado and return at any time during this year.

Second prize—Transportation to either Chicago or New Orleans and return at any time in this year.

I VOTE FOR \_\_\_\_\_

OF \_\_\_\_\_

As Most Popular \_\_\_\_\_

Officer in Paducah

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Monday, February 2

I VOTE FOR \_\_\_\_\_

As the most popular lady in Paducah

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Monday, February 2

## NO COURT

JUDGE SANDERS HAS NO CASES ON THE DOCKET TODAY.

Judge D. L. Sanders had no regular court today for the first time in many weeks, except on holidays. There were several warrants issued for Monday's court. The case against Sticks McCormick, Woods Jones and John Smith has been continued over until Monday and it is probable that warrants for malicious assault will be issued against the former two instead of mere breach of the peace charges.

Dr. H. T. Hessig has gone to Memphis to attend the bedside of his brother, Mr. F. A. Hessig, who is seriously ill.

## CIRCUIT COURT

TWO DIVORCES GRANTED TODAY—DAMAGE SUIT ON TRIAL.

There has been but little business transacted in circuit court for the past three days and at the adjournment of court today at noon the Register suit against Mr. J. L. Friedman was still on trial.

Minnie Sutton was given a divorce from her husband Joseph Sutton.

Laura Rice was granted a divorce from her husband Mansfield Rice.

Perthes Almanac, regarded as authority, says that there are thousands of German Noblemen performing menial work in the United States.

## THE PUGS SEEN HERE

A Large Crowd at the Kentucky Saw the Champions Last Night.

Their Presence Was Very Limited, However—An Exciting Contest Between Locals.

MUCH ENTHUSIASM SHOWN

Jim Jeffries, champion heavyweight pugilist and Bob Fitzsimmons, the champion, were seen in Paducah for the first time at the Kentucky theater last night. Those who paid to see the exhibition, and were willing to give up their money to see the pugilists and a couple of preliminaries, were doubtless well pleased.

In St. Louis the night before there were five preliminary bouts and Jeff and Fitz sparred four rounds, and yet the papers skinned them alive. Here there were two preliminaries and the champions sparred only three rounds, and while a few felt that they had a kick coming, many did not expect anything else, and the second preliminary was well worth seeing.

The first bout was a five round draw between two local colored amateurs, Charles Shannon and Al Blanch. They seemed to be afraid of each other and there was little doing throughout the entire contest.

Fitzsimmons refereed it and at the end of the fifth pronounced it a draw.

The next was an eight round contest between Hurley Randall, formerly of Paris, Tenn., and Alabama Kid, of Paducah, colored. Alabama is something of a pugilist, and while he had recently been driving a coal wagon, he managed to train up in a day and put up a stiff fight. Fitz refereed this bout, also. The men went for each other from the start and gave each other some stiff jabs. Two or three times each one seemed on the verge of going out, but "corners" saved them.

Finally in the fifth Alabama Kid touched the other by giving him a stiff punch in the jaw while he was down, which made him groggy and made it an easy matter to put him out, and the contest soon ended. Probably the foul would have lost Alabama Kid the contest if the rules had been strictly followed, as it had a very perceptible effect in making Randall easy money, but Alabama Kid was adjudged the winner and would probably have won anyhow, as he seemed to have more science and reach, although the other man was heavier.

After a brief intermission the two great pugilists, Fitzsimmons and Jeffries appeared in the ring. They were introduced by Manager Egan, and sparred three rounds. They probably put up the same kind of exhibition here that they did in St. Louis, and of the one there the Globe-Democrat says:

"Now, nobody for one moment expected that they would fly at each other's throat or inflict needless sufferings. Despite press agents' tales, no one really expected to see anything like a fight."

"The people who paid to see a boxing exhibition might as well have bought photographs of the men and gazed admiringly at their muscular development. There has hardly ever been a professional boxing exhibition that did not furnish more interest and amusement. Jeffries and Fitzsimmons went through a few antics, made a few grimaces, and then hopped out of the ring."

But those here, most of whom never saw either one of the men before, seemed satisfied to pay their money and get a glimpse.

The aggregation, consisting of five men, arrived on a special train from Belleville, Ill., and left at noon for Evansville.

President Roosevelt is quoted in a Washington dispatch as having said that he regarded his own nomination as certain, and that he understood the Democrats would nominate Judge Parker of New York, for the presidency.

President Roosevelt has declined to act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan trouble.

## A GRATIFYING WEEK

The Public Schools Have a Fine Attendance With Better Expected.

Mumps and Whooping Cough Have Reduced the Attendance in a Few Grades.

THE RULE ABOUT CONTAGION

The attendance in the public schools for the past week, the first week of the spring term, was excellent and the teachers and superintendent are highly gratified over the outlook for a perfect attendance.

Prof. Hatfield, the superintendent, said this morning: "The attendance has been excellent for the past week and really better than we expected. Few old pupils dropped out and all who did drop out have been replaced by new pupils."

The crowded condition of some of the primary grades has been relieved to a small extent by the appearance of mumps and whooping cough. There are many pupils in the lower grades suffering from these ailments but it is hoped to have the attendance no further reduced.

A gentleman of the Worthen addition complained to a reporter this morning of alleged ill-treatment by teachers to his child, in the way of refusing to let her remain in school because she had a few eczema sores on her face. It has always been the rule of the superintendent to send all pupils home who have sores or any contagious diseases to protect the other pupils and Superintendent Hatfield considers this the best recommendation or compliment that the teachers could receive for their efforts towards protecting the pupils from disease. "We have a number of pupils come into the schools," Superintendent Hatfield said, "with suspicious looking sores on them and we always send them to physicians and if the doctor will give them a certificate saying the disease is not contagious, then we are perfectly willing to let the child return."

This rule has been in effect for two years and is a good thing for the protection of the pupils.

## WEEK'S NEWS IN THE BUSINESS WORLD.

Bank clearings this week were \$704,141

Same week last year \$424,592

Increase \$289,548

Business with the wholesalers is very good for the season of the year, and local houses are enjoying good business.

The Sutherland Medicine company report an increase in their January business over the same month last year of 60 per cent, and the Paducah Saddle company report the biggest month in the history of the company for the booking of business.

With the dry goods houses, the groceries, the whiskey, saddle, and collar, candy, queensware and tobacco it is the same rosy report. Retail trade is very good. The February clearance sales are on in all the dry goods stores and are better than usual at this time of the year.

The starting of the iron furnaces this week is pleasing to Paducahans, and they are looking for big things from the company. It is understood that the company will begin, before long, to erect several furnaces for making their own coke.

The prospects for real estate were never better in Paducah, and the spring will probably bring the most active market in years. The agents all report a good many inquiries for good property investments.

The Crown Princess of Saxony and M. Giron, her lover, have parted forever for the sake of the former's children whom she cannot see unless she renounced her lover. The relations were severed at Geneva yesterday.

Hooper Young, the Mormon charged in New York with the murder of Mrs. Pulitzer, is on trial and is playing crazy.